28 August 1985

ME TORANDUM FOR: C/Real Estate Branch/RE&CD/OL

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C/FBIS/Engineering Division

SUBJECT:

Quantico Marine Base Site For INTERNET

1. This memo is to confirm conversation with on August 28. It is our understanding that Quantico Base/US/IC has restricted our choice of sites to the HF transmitting site at Independence Hill. Further that they wish a decision from us as to the acceptability of that site. FBIS considers this site acceptable and request your office to take the necessary steps to secure that site for FBIS' Washington INTERNET terminal.

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- 2. As previously discussed, we intend to construct a satellite earth terminal along with a control building. Thus we anticipate significant construction on the site and the requirement for utilities. It is not our intention to call upon the military for support services except possibly in the utilities area if they already exist. Our expectation is that our occupancy will be long term in nature due to the investment in facilities.
- 3. It is anticipated that after the INTELSAT Board of Directors meet in September and approves FBIS' application for a transponder lease for the INTERNET system, contract actions will be processed for the terminal. Construction of the ground station will begin in early FY-86.
- 4. Funds are available for the project and FBIS, under an arranged agreement, will agree to pay the Marine Corps any and all costs for utilities that we draw from them.



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